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In re Application of: Santos *et al.*
 Serial No. 10/017,697
 Filed: July 20, 2001
 For: TASTE MASKED AQUEOUS LIQUID PHARMACEUTICAL
 COMPOSITION
 Examiner: Fubara, Blessing M.
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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

REMARKS

The Office Action of September 10, 2003 has been reviewed and its contents carefully noted. Reconsideration of this case is earnestly requested. Claims 1-46 remain in this case.

The Restriction Requirement

The requirement for restriction and/or election, as best understood, is respectfully traversed. However, in the interest of moving prosecution forward and to avoid abandonment of the application, **Applicant hereby elects the following for initial search and examination:**

- a. Species: Analgesics;
- b. Selected drug among analgesics: Acetaminophen;
- c. Sweetening agent: Polyhydric alcohols;
- d. Viscosity-building agent: Xanthan gum;
- e. Ailment treated: Fever.

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